

Evidence to Help Low-Income Individuals and Families Get Ahead”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## ONGOING INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Ongoing Intelligence Activities”. This hearing was closed.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2015

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2016 for the Forest Service, 10 a.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2016 for the Missile Defense Agency, 10:30 a.m., SD–192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings to examine Navy shipbuilding programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SR–222.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the postures of the Department of the Army and the Department of the Air Force in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SD–106.

*Committee on the Budget:* business meeting to markup the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016, 2:30 p.m., SD–608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Communications Commission, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings to examine S. 697, to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to reauthorize and modernize that Act, 9:30 a.m., SD–406.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* business meeting to consider S. 35, to extend the Federal recognition to the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana, S. 438, to provide for the repair, replacement, and maintenance of certain Indian irrigation projects, S. 465, to extend Federal recognition to the Chickahominy Indian Tribe, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe-Eastern Division, the Upper Mattaponi Tribe, the Rappahannock Tribe, Inc., the Monacan Indian Nation, and the Nansemond Indian Tribe, and the nomination of Jonodev Osceola Chaudhuri, of Arizona, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission; to be immediately followed by a hear-

ing to examine an original bill, entitled “the Reauthorization of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 2015”, 2:30 p.m., SD–628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the impact of patent litigation practices on the American economy, 10 a.m., SD–226.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs to examine the legislative presentation from multiple veterans service organizations, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Full Committee, hearing on the importance of trade to U.S. agriculture, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing for public and outside witnesses, 9 a.m., B–308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, oversight hearing on closing the achievement gap in higher education, 9:30 a.m., 2358–C Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, hearing on Department of Agriculture Rural Development budget, 10 a.m., 2362–A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Defense, hearing on United States Pacific Command and United States Forces Korea budget, 10 a.m., H–140 Capitol. This hearing will be closed.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, hearing on Department of Energy, Environmental Management budget, 10:00 a.m., 2362–B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, hearing on National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration budget, 10:30 a.m., H–309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, hearing on Internal Revenue Service budget, 11 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing on related agencies budget, 2 p.m., 2358–C Rayburn.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, hearing on Department of Treasury International Programs budget, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “The President’s Proposed Authorization for the Use of Military Force Against ISIL and the Fiscal Year 2016 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of Defense”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces; and Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, hearing entitled “Naval Cooperative Strategy”, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing entitled “Special Operations Forces in an Uncertain Threat Environment: A Review of the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Request for U.S. Special Operations Command”, 3:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget*, Full Committee, markup on the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2016, 10:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Reviewing the President’s Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Proposal for the Department of Labor”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing on discussion draft of the “Data Security and Breach Notification Act of 2015”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, hearing on the “Improving Coal Combustion Residuals Regulation Act of 2015”, 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Preserving Consumer Choice and Financial Independence”, 10 a.m., HVC–210.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere; and Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, joint hearing entitled “Iran and Hezbollah in the Western Hemisphere”, 10:15 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “U.S. Election Support in Africa”, 10:15 a.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, hearing entitled “Does the President’s FY 2016 Budget Request Address the Crises in the Middle East and North Africa?”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency, hearing entitled “Unmanned Aerial System Threats: Exploring Security Implications and Mitigation Technologies”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1153, the “Asylum Reform and Border Protection Act of 2015”; and H.R. 1148, the “Michael Davis, Jr. in Honor of State and Local Law Enforcement Act”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled “Effect of the President’s FY 2016 Budget and Legislative Proposals for

the Office of Surface Mining on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy Production, State Programs and Deficit Reduction”, 10:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing entitled “Funding Priorities for and the United States’ Responsibilities concerning Indians, Alaska Natives, and Insular Areas in the President’s FY 2016 Budget Request for the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Health Service, Office of Insular Affairs, and Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Subcommittee on Information Technology, hearing entitled “Cybersecurity: The Evolving Nature of Cyber Threats Facing the Private Sector”, 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “Federal Workforce Tax Accountability”, 1 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Tangled in Red Tape: New Challenges for Small Manufacturers”, 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled “The President’s Fiscal Year 2016 Budget: Administration Priorities for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency”, 10:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, organizational meeting for the 114th Congress; hearing on the burdens family businesses and farms face planning for and paying the estate tax, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: to hold hearings to examine Northern Ireland, focusing on Stormont, collusion, and the Finucane inquiry, including other issues of accountability for past government collusion in paramilitary crimes, 2 p.m., 2175, Rayburn Building.

*Joint Economic Committee*: to hold hearings to examine the Economic Report of the President 2015, 2:30 p.m., SD–562.